

TOBACCO AVERAGES 24c AT LEXINGTON

Much Low Grade Weed Brings Average Down—Prices Ranged From 1-2c to 64c

(Special To Daily Register)
Lexington, Ky., Jan. 3.—With over 100,000 pounds of tobacco sold on the loose leaf markets here today, the average is about 24 cents a pound for today's sales. Prices for the day ranged all the way from 1-2c to 64c a pound. There was a great amount of low grade weed offered. This had the effect of lowering the average greatly. Good grade leaf brought what appeared to be satisfactory prices.

Many growers, who did not receive what they wanted for their crops are talking of pooling the lower grades according to the plan of the Burley Growers' Association.

Many others say that they will cut out the crop entirely in 1921. They say that this is the only plan by which prices for their tobacco can be elevated again.

Sales were held at 18 warehouses here Monday, a percentage of the offerings on each floor being sold.

WATCHING SALES AT LEXINGTON TODAY

Local Tobacco Men Go Over To See How Prices Open—Ready For Sales Here

The floors of both Richmond tobacco warehouses are well filled with tobacco, awaiting the opening sales on Tuesday morning. A big crowd is expected to be in town for the first sales, as interest is very keen all over Kentucky, and especially in the burley district, as to the market this season. Several car loads of local tobacco men went to Lexington early Monday morning to witness the opening sales here. The prices paid at Lexington are expected to prove a reliable index of what may be expected here. It is a fact though that the prices paid on the Richmond market last year were the highest in the state, as shown by official figures.

Sales are expected to begin here at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning promptly.

10,000,000 POUNDS ON FLOORS AT LEXINGTON

(By Associated Press)
Lexington, Ky., Jan. 3.—With approximately 10,000,000 pounds of burley tobacco on the floors of the 18 warehouses here, and the size of the 1921 crop depending to a large extent on the price brought by the first day's sales, tobacco buyers and warehousemen were ready this morning for the opening of the market at 9 o'clock. On offering for the low grades, depends, according to officials of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Association, whether or not the proposed co-operative company of growers will be completed and take up the task of getting what is considered a fair price for the poorer kinds.

Other markets in the burley district will open during the next three or four days, a few opening simultaneously with the local salesrooms.

The crop, while larger than last year, cost considerably more to grow, according to estimates of the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture and government officials. The average per acre was considerably lower than last year, due to light-weight leaf, while labor costs are said to have been higher.

Government estimates fixing the size of the Kentucky crop of 1920 at 236,500,000, as compared with 219,000,000 pounds in 1919, should have no effect on the price to be offered, according to the growers' association. The United States government estimates the world production at 287,000,000 pounds for 1920, which compares with 320,000,000 pounds in 1919.

The estimated crop of producing the Kentucky crop was fixed at \$309 an acre, or approximately 36 cents

a pound, by the university and government officials. This compares with a cost of 26 cents a pound last year. The average production per acre in 1919 was more than 1,100 pounds, while that of 1920 is placed at 809 pounds.

Three sets of buyers are here awaiting the sounding of the opening gong. They will follow an itinerary on the opening day that will take each set to six warehouses, thus covering the entire market during the day. On succeeding days sales will be held in three warehouses each morning and three others in the afternoon.

Officials of the growers' association of which John W. Newman, of Versailles, is president, are attending all sales and watch closely the prices paid for the various grades. Should the prices prove unsatisfactory, it is planned to take hold of the lower grades and prepare to find the proper market for them through the proposed co-operative marketing company, plans for which have already been approved by the association.

The managers of the principal buying interests represented on the Lexington market are: American Tobacco Company, M. M. Geary; Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company, Jas. Pryor; P. Lorillard Company, Kirkpatrick & Stevens; J. P. Taylor Company, George R. Parker; R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, Theodore Kirk.

Newman Says "Steady, Boys"

Warning burley tobacco growers that the next ten days would be the crucial period in the life of the new organization, formed because of prospects that prices would be below the cost of production, John W. Newman, president of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Association, today issued a statement which he headed "Steady, Boys." "Whatever prices prevail," he said, "let the grower sit steady in the boat, upholding at all times law and order."

"Within the next ten days members of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Association will likely be put to their first severest test since joining the organization," said the statement. "The present indications are that many members of this organization will, in the course of this period, in the space of three minutes dispose of a year's labor at a very low figure. The tobacco grower has toiled with his family, and often with costly hired labor to produce a crop of tobacco that a freak of the weather or an attack of disease has rendered of a very low quality. It will necessarily bring a low price. Good crops may sell for less than their value. Disappointments will follow. Debts cannot be paid. Many will be unsatisfied. Other things must be sacrificed to meet obligations. There will likely be many distressing incidents and much bitterness of feeling. Some will probably blame the manufacturer, some may blame the government. This reason and that will be given for unsatisfactory prices. Many remedies will be suggested.

"Whatever prices may prevail, let the grower sit steady in the boat, upholding at all times law and order. Injustice and wrongs can only be righted through organization, co-operation and due process of law. So we say 'steady, boys,' during the troublesome days ahead. Strengthen your organization. Seek redress in an orderly way. In this way we will have the support of public opinion, without which no organization, however righteous its cause, can long exist. Out of it all will ultimately come good. Unsatisfactory conditions can and will be righted. The growers must depend more upon their united efforts and less upon government relief. This is the great lesson that this terrible deflation of farm prices is teaching."

PENROSE IN SENATE

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Jan. 3.—Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, returned to his Senate seat today after an absence of more than a year. He was able to walk into the chamber, although attendants brought him to the Senate door in a wheel chair. He remained seated as the senators greeted him but his familiar "How are you?" was distinctly heard as he exchanged greetings.

Hopkinsville, Ky.—Beckham Crowley, 19, paralyzed since an automobile collision in September, died at his home in Fruit Hill.

FOUNTAIN PEN PLAYED CUPID

Mrs. Otto E. Downard will return to her school at Hazard after a holiday vacation that has been a honeymoon. Prior to the coming of the vacation she was Miss Ruby B. Spurlin, of Red House, teacher in the city school at Hazard. At Winchester she was married to Mr. Downard, of Sunrise. Their romance began at Berea College when he volunteered the loan of a fountain pen. He has a position at Dayton, Ohio, where they spent the yuletide. After she has completed her term at Hazard they will live at Dayton.

SENATE REVIVES WAR CORPORATION

After Wilson Had Vetoed Groun Resolution, On Grounds It Will Mean More Taxes

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Jan. 3.—President Wilson today vetoed the Groun resolution to revive the War Finance Corporation designed to aid farming and other industries.

The Senate immediately took up the measure and passed it over the President's veto. Similar action is forecast in the House by supporters of the resolution. The vote to override the President was 5 to 3, or 19 more than the required two-thirds majority.

"It is highly probable," the President said in his veto message that the most immediate and conscious effect of the resumption of the corporation's activities will be an effort on the part of exporters to shift the financing of their operations from ordinary commercial channels to the government. This would be unfortunate, for if activities of any considerable magnitude resulted, they would necessitate the imposition of additional taxes or further borrowing, either through the War Finance Corporation or by the Treasury. In either case new burdens would be laid upon the people."

AUGUSTA WAREHOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

(By Associated Press)
Augusta, Ky., Jan. 3.—Fire of undetermined origin early today destroyed the Heizer and Metzgers tobacco warehouse with 265,000 pounds of tobacco. There was no insurance on the contents. The loss is not estimated.

BORAH'S RESOLUTION CONSIDERED IN SECRET

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Jan. 3.—Senator Borah's resolution looking to reduction of future naval building by the United States, Great Britain and Japan, was considered today by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, but final action was deferred. Borah said after the committee session which was secret, that considerable sentiment had developed in the committee to include France and Italy in the disarmament negotiations which President Wilson will be asked to initiate.

SERVES 20 YEARS AS LODGE SECRETARY

Although he has served 20 years as secretary of John D. Hamilton lodge No. 578, Masons, Col. J. R. Dunbar won't be released from the duties he has filled so well, and was re-elected for another term at the regular meeting of this flourishing lodge last week. Other officers elected were:

Master—Joe Hamilton.
Senior Warden—R. M. Phelps.
Junior Warden—Gordon Rupert.
Senior Deacon—Wm. Parkes.
Junior Deacon—Cale Turpin.
Treasurer—Weber Hamilton.
S. & T.—A. C. Berry.

GRAND JURY THREATENED
Tompkinsville, Ky.—Two sticks of dynamite tied to the doorknob of the grand jury room were accompanied by a note warning the body that unless it "broke up" the court house would be blown up.

SUES TO BREAK MRS. IRVINE'S WILL

Dr. Irvine White Declines To Act As Executor and Brings Suit In Court

William Irvine Greenway, of Reno, Nevada, has arrived in Richmond to take steps to defend the will of the late Mrs. Elizabeth S. Irvine by the terms of which he is the residuary legatee, his portion of the estate being estimated at about \$100,000. By the terms of Mrs. Irvine's will, her handsome home here was left to the Kentucky State Medical Society for the purpose of establishing a hospital. The income from property in Kansas City, netting about \$2,000 a year, was provided for support and maintenance of such an institution. Suit to break the will has been filed in the Madison circuit court by Dr. Irvine White, Sr., of Huntsville, Ala., who is a nephew of the deceased. Greenway is a great-nephew of Mrs. Irvine and was named for her husband, the late William Irvine, Attorney General of the State of Kansas City, Mo., and Attorney John Noland of this city, represent Dr. Irvine White, Sr., in the will contest. Mr. White was named in the will as one of the executors, together with John W. Crooke, cashier of the Citizens' National Bank. Mr. White refused, however, to qualify as an executor, and has brought this suit against Mr. Crooke as executor and the beneficiaries named in the will, seeking to have it set aside and "be found and declared not to be the last will and testament" of Mrs. Irvine. The estate affected by the suit, which will be one of the hardest fought civil actions in this section in a number of years, is estimated at about \$400,000.

The suit brought by Mr. White to break the will is set forth in detail in the petition, as follows:

Dr. Irvine White's Petition
IN THE MADISON CIRCUIT COURT, MADISON COUNTY, KY.
In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth S. Irvine, Deceased.
D. White Irvine, Sr., Petitioner, (Appellant) vs.
John W. Crooke, Executor, City of Richmond, Presbyterian Church of Richmond, Kentucky, Trustees of Presbyterian Church of Richmond, Kentucky, Medical Society of Kentucky, Sophie Sea, Reuben Ward, Sallie Miller, Fannie Hlave, Bessie Miller, Mrs. Robert Miller, Fannie S. Matthews, Willie I. Shelby, Susan McD. White, Shelby W. Walker, Mattie E. Darwin, Susan P. Bennett, Shelby L. Patton, Alice P. Walker, Humes Patton, Oliver B. Patton, Irvine Patton, Gilbert C. Greenway, Sadie G. Keller, James C. Greenway, John C. Greenway, William L. Greenway, Luke M. White, Lucy M. White, Shelby L. White, Addison White and David I. White, Defendants.
PETITION ON APPEAL TO CONTEST WILL.

Now comes the above named petitioner (appellant), D. Irvine White, Sr., of Huntsville, Madison county, Alabama, and says that on or about the 26th day of November, 1920, Elizabeth S. Irvine, of Richmond, Madison county, Kentucky, the widow and of petitioner, died at Richmond, in Madison county, Kentucky, leaving said petitioner, his two sisters, Susan McD. White and Shelby W. Walker, both of Huntsville, Madison county, Alabama; and the following daughters and sons of petitioner's deceased sister, Bettie W. Patton, to-wit: Mattie P. Darwin, Huntsville, Alabama, Susan P. Bennett and Shelby L. Patton, of Washington, D. C.; Alice P. Walker, whose residence address is to this petitioner unknown, Humes Patton, of Washington, D. C.; Oliver B. Patton and Irvine Patton, of Arizona; and the following named daughter and sons of petitioner's deceased sister, Alice W. Greenway, to-wit: Sadie G. Keller, of Washington, D. C.; Gilbert C. Greenway, of New York City, New York; James C. Greenway, of Greenwich, Conn.; John C. Greenway, of Warren, Ariz.; and William L. Greenway, of Reno, Nev., her heirs at law, all of whom are over the age of twenty-one years, and are joined herein as parties defendant.

That on the 6th day of December, 1920, a certain writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Elizabeth S. Irvine, was presented to, and by the Madison county court, of Richmond, Kentucky, admitted to probate. Said writing is now recorded in said court as a part of the records thereof in will book _____ at page _____.

A copy of said alleged will is here-with filed and made a part hereof marked "Exhibit A."

On the _____ day of _____, 1920, the said John W. Crooke, named in said writing as the executor thereof, qualified as such executor and is now acting as such executor of said writing.

By the terms of said writing or alleged will the following persons, whose last known postoffice address is set opposite their respective names, are named as legatees and devisees of the said Elizabeth S. Irvine, deceased, to-wit:

Huntsville, Ala.—Mattie P. Darwin, Susan McD. White, D. Irvine White, Sr., Lucy M. White, Addison White, Shelby L. White, Susan P. Bennett, 2322 19th street, Washington, D. C.; Shelby L. Patton, Garfield Hospital, Washington, D. C.; Humes Patton, Washington, D. C.; Sadie G. Keller, Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C.; Richard W. Miller, 2322 19th street, Washington, D. C.; Medical (Continued on 4th Page)

STATES FACE BIG PROBLEMS TODAY

Legislatures In 45 Convene With Real Business Before A Lot of Them

(By Associated Press)
New York, Jan. 3.—Legislatures of 45 states and territories, most of which open their sessions today or later this month, have before them formidable programs of tax reform, dry law enforcement, election redistricting in accordance with the 1920 census, soldier bonuses, public improvements, revision of constitutions, laws for husband and wife, industrial and suffrage legislation, state aid for farmers, boxing commissions, new financing, retrenchment by consolidation or abolition of state departments, anti-radicalism, automobile regulation, reorganization of state militias, relief for public utilities, amendment or repeal of primary laws, commission or "manager" plan for cities and counties and pro and anti-blue laws enactments.

California, with its \$750,000,000 state-wide irrigation project leads the state in the matter of proposed public improvements and will ask the legislators to authorize a survey of the contemplated enterprise. Colorado also has a big mountain tunnel in contemplation. West Virginia solons will be required to pass laws at the session opening January 15, providing for the expenditure of \$50,000,000 for building good roads, for which the people voted a bond issue at the recent election. Missouri also must provide \$60,000,000 for building legislation.

Establishment of a state constabulary, urged largely by farmers, and enactment of a bill legalizing boxing, in addition to a proposal to repeal her state primary law, held unconstitutional by the State Supreme Court, will be taken up by the legislature of Illinois sometime after that body meets for its opening session next Wednesday. Fights against primary laws are to be made in Indiana, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, New Mexico, North Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont and Wyoming.

Vermont "liberals" plan an attack on the blue laws of the state insofar as they relate to observance of the Sabbath. An effort will be made, it is said, to modify the present statutes so as to permit amateur sports, particularly baseball on Sunday, where the sport is not commercialized. Local option such as exists in Massachusetts, enabling individual cities and towns to determine their own practice in the matter of Sunday games, will be sought. New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, and South Dakota, are also expected to discuss anti-blue laws. California, meanwhile, will argue the merits or demerits of a Sunday closing law.

Reorganization of the state judiciary system and a constitutional amendment proposing that none but "American citizens, native or fully naturalized, be allowed the right of suffrage in Texas" will be before the law making body at Austin, Texas, beginning January 11. Another Texas bill would exclude Orientals from acquiring land within the state. Kansas representatives will have bills before them providing state aid for highway construction and financial assistance to farmers in purchasing homes.

Capital punishment, as a result of legal discussion over the Coleman murder case, will confront the Nebraska legislature and West Virginia will act on proposals to abolish private detective agencies. The last named state also will consider amendments to laws relating marriage in order to make non-support an extraditable offense. California legislators once again will again be called upon to consider the act of 1919, which was designed to place a wife on a equality with her husband, and which was defeated last fall.

Many states will be confronted with the problem of raising funds to pay soldiers' bonuses voted at the last election. South Dakota is pledged to obtain \$6,000,000; Montana legislators will vote on the question of bonus for 40,000 ex-service men; Delaware lawmakers will take a similar vote; Connecticut must raise \$2,500,000 for soldier relief; New Hampshire in addition to a bonus, may exempt veterans property from taxation up to \$500 value; Iowa sol-

WEATHER FOR KENTUCKY

Generally far tonight and Tuesday; moderate temperature.

TODAY'S LIVESTOCK MARKETS

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 3.—Cattle slow and lower; hogs, packers, \$9.75; lights \$10.25.
Louisville, Jan. 3.—Cattle 1,100; steady, \$2.50 to \$9; hogs 2,400; strong, \$5 to \$9.75; sheep 50; higher, \$3; lambs \$10.

MADISON COUNTY MAN

Erected First Linotypes In Kentucky, Says Maret

In his interesting notes on "First Things in Kentucky," in the Lexington Leader, Col. Jim Maret often has occasion to mention Madison county. He had the following Sunday:

The first linotype machines, four in number, brought to Lexington in 1892, and installed in the plant of the Lexington Transcript, a morning paper, published by Major Caldwell, at 25 West Short street, opposite the Reed Hotel. S. C. Franklin, a Madison county boy, assisted in setting up these machines and operated one of them some years. He was sent to Fort Smith, and other southern points afterward to set up these Mergenthaler machines.

POPULAR COUPLE WED

Friends here were interested in the announcement Sunday that Miss Anna Grayot, daughter of W. F. Grayot, deputy internal revenue collector, and Carroll Speer, of Owensboro, son of former State Commissioner George Speer, were married on Saturday night in Lexington. Mr. Speer is connected with Armour & Company. Both formerly lived in Frankfort and are well known here. The bride is a niece of John L. Grayot, of Madisonville, Democratic state campaign chairman.

Excitement Kills Boy

Hawesville, Ky.—Henry Miller, Downs, 13, orphan, dropped dead from excitement during the fire which destroyed the home of Welby Hatfield, at Patesville. The child lived with a neighbor.

CHILD BURNS TO DEATH IN HOME

Harrodsburg, Ky., Jan. 3.—Mrs. Martha Downey, a widow, living on Dix river near Burgh, went to a spring near her home Saturday, leaving her children, 2 and 3 years old, alone. When she returned she found the older child burned to a crisp in front of the grate fire where its clothing had become ignited.

HELD WITHOUT BOND

Elizabethtown, Ky.—Garlan Matthews, soldier from Camp Knox, waived examination and was held without bond on the charge of slaying Eugene Bozman, colored. He will be held in jail here until tried.

MADISON CASE ON BIG COURT'S DOCKET TODAY

(By Associated Press)

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 3.—The Kentucky Court of Appeals opened the winter term today with the following cases on today's docket: Criminal Cases—Isom vs. Commonwealth, Letcher county; Coates vs. Commonwealth, Grayson county; Frazier vs. Commonwealth, Daviess; Banks vs. Commonwealth, McRacken; Bates vs. Commonwealth, Madison; Craig vs. Commonwealth, Jefferson; Mobley vs. Commonwealth, Carter; McIntyre vs. Commonwealth, Owsley; Bunnell vs. Commonwealth, Fayette; Edline vs. Commonwealth, Hardin; Commonwealth vs. Stites, Ohio.

JAZZ ORCHESTRA FORMED

Realizing the popularity of jazz music, which has been sweeping the country for some time, Mr. Leon Elder has organized an orchestra of jazz players, who will furnish the music for several of the dances during the winter months. Members of the orchestra who have met for rehearsal are Joe Guinchigliani, Jr., piano; Coleman Covington, saxophone; Pete Evans, flute; Nelson Hurst, drums, and Leon Elder, xylophone. These boys are talented in their respective lines of music, and should receive the encouragement of the lovers of jazz music in this city.

ons at the legislative session beginning January 10, also will consider a soldiers' bonus bill.

BEREA BOY HAS ROMANTIC WEDDING

Popular Young Couple Has Difficulty Proving They Had Consent of Their Parents

Dispatches from Louisville Sunday told of the romantic wedding of a popular Berea boy to a young lady from Fayette county, as follows:

Louisville, Jan. 2.—Miss Elizabeth Whitt Hampton, of Chilesburg, Fayette county, and L. C. Fish, of Berea, spent five of the first twenty-four hours of the New Year waiting to get married. Miss Hampton, 16 years old, is a student in Hamilton College, in Lexington, while Fish, 18, is a Freshman in the University of Kentucky.

Accompanied by A. B. Hackworth of the University, and Mrs. Jewell F. Tudor, of Lexington, the two motored to Louisville from the bluegrass. Apparently they anticipated difficulties because of their youth when the time came to get license, for each was armed with the written consent of a parent. The party called at the city hall when the found the court house closed. Ferd Koop, the marriage license clerk, was located. He looked at the "consents."

Then he got busy on the telephone, it taking five hours to get E. T. Fish, wealthy Berea farmer, and E. D. Witt, Miss Hampton's stepfather, on the telephone.

In the meantime, Magistrate Waller Caments was engaged to perform the ceremony. This he did, the bride carrying a bouquet of flowers she had been holding from nightfall until 9:30 o'clock.

PITCHED BATTLE

When Officers Attempt To Arrest Drunks In Bell

Pineville, Ky., Jan. 2.—Two killed, one dangerously and two seriously wounded resulted from a shooting affray at Poor Fork. The dead are: John H. Creek, chief of police of Poor Fork, and Joe Crucio, railroad man connected with the L. & N.

The wounded are Ed Crockett and H. L. Huff, deputy sheriff, dangerously wounded, and Mat Green, slightly wounded.

The shooting occurred when the officers went to the railroad camp at Poor Fork and attempted to arrest a number of men who were creating a disturbance while in a drunken condition. It is reported nearly a hundred shots were fired between the officers and the men before the former fell. The officers were outnumbered three to one, but, according to reports received here, they made a gallant fight against the big odds.

CENTRE DEFEATS TEXAS

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 3.—Centre College, Danville, Ky., starts the new year with another football victory. Its eleven Saturday crushed the Texas Christian University squad at Fort Worth, 63 to 7. In beating the Christians the "Praying Colonels" of Kentucky has conquered a team that went through the 1920 season without a defeat and a team that ranked among the first in Texas college football. Seven thousand people saw the game.

Texas Christian University was the first to score. Early in the opening quarter the Colonels marched down the field for what looked like a quick touchdown. Jackson, of the Christian University, intercepted a forward pass and raced 90 yards for a touchdown.

"Bo" McMillin, who lived up to his reputation as a brilliant player and Montgomery. James and Weaver, all regulars of Centre, were playing in their home city. Their first football experience was on a Fort Worth high school squad. Centre excelled in every department except forward passing. Principal gains made by T. C. U. were by accurate passing. McMillin carried the ball a great deal for Centre, gaining at practically every attempt.

Weaver kicked nine goals after touchdowns.

T. W. Jones, big cattle dealer of Lincoln county, was over Monday to look over the offerings on the local market.